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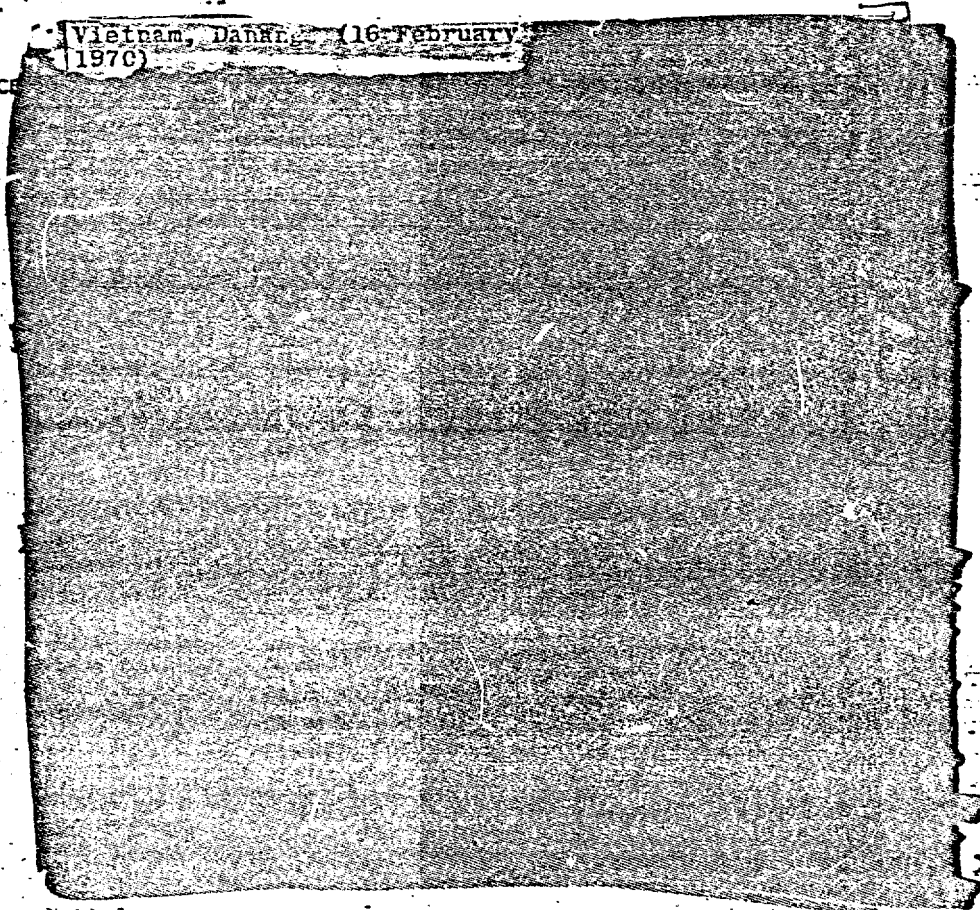
COUNTRY North Vietnam

DOI May 1968

SUBJECT American Prisoner of War Camp
in Quynh Luu District, Nghe An
Province, North Vietnam

ACQ Vietnam, Danang (16 February
1970)

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1. In May 1968, [REDACTED] and nine other North Vietnamese Army (NVA) soldiers marched through Quynh Luu District of Nghe An Province, North Vietnam, and stopped for a 20-minute rest period alongside an NVA military camp used to detain American pilots captured in North Vietnam. [REDACTED] learned this from one of the guards patrolling the camp, who said the camp had been built some time ago and had been used since for American pilots. The guard also informed [REDACTED] that there was no other POW camp in Nghe An Province. He stated further that prisoners arriving at the camp were provided two sets of clothing and were fed three meals a day. They also were allowed cigarettes and reading material to keep them content, which he reported they were. The guard wore a regular NVA uniform.

2. The camp was located at approximately 19-11 N, 105-38 E alongside a trail running generally parallel with the west side of the Lam River approximately a one-half day walk north from the point where the river intersects National Highway No. 1. Over the gate to the camp was the title "Thought Reform."

3. The camp consisted of three large single-story buildings each about 30 meters long and 10 meters wide. They were constructed of brick, painted light brown, and situated in a "U" formation. There were other, smaller buildings, which [REDACTED] thought were latrines, and a building approximately 4 meters square which may have been a kitchen.

4. The entire camp was surrounded by a crisscross bamboo fence approximately 4 meters high. Bunkers were located strategically around the perimeter of the camp. A guard at the gate carried an AK-47 weapon, and five other unarmed guards, including the guard to whom [REDACTED] spoke, patrolled the perimeter of the camp. [REDACTED] observed no weapons in or near the camp or its fortifications other than the gate guard's single AK-47. The gate of the camp was constructed of bamboo.

5. [REDACTED] said he observed approximately 100 Caucasian prisoners in the front area of the camp, some of whom were playing basketball. They all wore yellow trousers and light gray shirts. [REDACTED] stated that they appeared to be in good health and spirits.

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